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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
Steinberger) Art Unit: 2107
Serial No.: 08/888,617) Examiner: Witkowski
Filed: July 7, 1997)
For: Acoustic Musical)
Instrument, etc.)

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Hon. Asst. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Amendment

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This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated March 3, 1998. Please enter the following amendments:

Please cancel claim 1.

Please rewrite claim 2 as new claim 6:

6. In an acoustic musical instrument of the violin family, which includes a body having a top, a plurality of strings having different resonant frequencies, a bridge supporting said strings, said bridge having feet which are pressed against said top by tension in said strings and causing said top to vibrate in accordance with vibrations of said strings, and a bass bar supporting said top under the foot of said bridge ^{closest to the} bass strings, the improvement which comprises:

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